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1. EMBASSY SANTIAGO WELCOMES THE VISIT OF REGIONAL COUNSELOR FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL AFFAIRS. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, MR. METZNER HAS BEEN ENROLLED IN THE SANTIAGO NUCLEAR ENERGY SEMINAR, SEPT. 27-30. WE WILL FORWARD OFFICIAL INVITATION.

2. PROPOSED VISIT COMES AT A PARTICULARLY FORTUNATE TIME AS TO ALLOW NEW EC COUNSELOR KIM FLOWER AND NEWLY ARRIVED SCIENCE OFFICER TODD HAGENAH TO ESTABLISH REPORTING AGENDA AND PRIORITY INTERESTS WITH COUNSELOR METZNER.

3. WE SUGGEST THAT IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE FOR COUNSELOR METZNER TO USE THE OCCASION OF HIS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO CHILE TO BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH A SAMPLE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT CHILEAN AND INTERNATIONAL INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS IN THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY. FOR EXAMPLE, WE COULD ARRANGE AN OVERNIGHT VISIT TO THE INTERNATIONALLY STAFFED CERRO TOLOLO OBSERVATORY. SITE VISITS TO THE EXPERIMENTAL REACTORS AT LA REINA AND LO AGUIRRE WOULD BE AN IDEAL FOLLOW-ON TO THE SEMINAR. LUNCHEON WITH THE SCIENTIFIC STAFF AND TOUR OF THE FACILITIES AT THE ADVANCED CENTER FOR MINING AND METALURGICAL STUDIES WOULD PROVIDE INSIGHT  
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INTO CHILE'S PRINCIPAL NATURAL RESOURCE. ADDITIONALLY, COURTESY CALLS AND DISCUSSIONS (FORMALLY AND SOCIALLY) WITH A SAMPLING OF CHILE'S MOST IMPORTANT SCIENTIFIC/TECHNOLOGICAL LEADERS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL NOT ONLY FOR SCIENCE COUNSELOR METZNER BUT ALSO FOR NEW EMBASSY SCIENCE OFFICER.

4. A USEFUL PROGRAM ALONG THE ABOVE LINES REQUIRING COUNSELOR

METZNER'S PRESENCE FOR AN ADDITIONAL 2-3 DAYS EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE SEMINAR COULD BE EASILY DEvised. IF SUCH AN ITINERARY IS COMPATIBLE WITH COUNSELOR METZNER'S INTERESTS AND TIME AVAILABILITY PLEASE ADVISE AND WE WILL FIRM UP A SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS AND VISITS. PLEASE ADVISE CONCURRENCE, DATES, AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATION PREFERENCE.  
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